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“ NATIONAL SOJOURNERS ”

“ A CHAPTER OF EXCELLENCE IN 2004 ”

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



April marks the end of my term as your president and I would like to say how much I have enjoyed serving this organization during the past twelve months. You have a very talented slate of officers to be voted on at our next meeting and I am sure you will give them the support that they well deserve for the coming year. I just returned from three weeks in Thailand and Cambodia and had the good fortune to attend the installation of officers from English-speaking Chula Lodge in Bangkok. Participating in the installation were Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and Buddhist Brethren representing Lodges drawn from around the region. You will also be interested to know that the Brethren are establishing a Grand Lodge of Vietnam in exile, facilitated for the most part by the Grand Lodge of France. It is expected that the Vietnamese government will lift the ban on fraternal organization in the next two or three years thus marking the return of Freemasonry to Vietnam after many years of Communist rule. It was moving to see international Freemasonry in action.

There is no fixed program for our April meeting, but if time allows, I may say some words about history and public policy in government today. I am looking forward to seeing you all at our April meeting.

Hans S. Pawlisch
President, Old Dominion Chapter 364

MARCH MEETING INFORMATION

The April meeting is on WEDNESDAY, April 20, 2005 at 1830 hours at the Gadsby's Tavern American Legion Hall, 400 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA.

UNIFORM OF THE DAY IS COAT AND TIE
COST: \$20 – PAY AT THE DOOR

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS THROUGH 3rd VP BRO. BOB TIDWELL AT (H) 703-250-3216 OR (W) 703-929-2923
OR AT rtidwell@quixnet.net.
YOU CAN ALSO RSVP TO YOUR CALLING COMMITTEE MEMBER
DEADLINE IS 1200 HOURS, MONDAY, APRIL 18.

THE NEXT HEROES OF '76 ENCAMPMENT WILL BE THE FEDERAL AREA ENCAMPMENT ON SATURDAY,
MAY 14, 2005 STARTING AT 0830AM
AT CAMP COLLINGWOOD, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Commander's Message April 2005



My Fellow Heroes:

What a great Bivouac. We initiated two fine brethren from George Washington Camp and Washington's Cruisers Camp. It was a good turnout, including PNC Dick Williamson from California, who was here to "help" his son, Bro. John Williamson, across the "D". Joining Bro. John was Mt. Ex. Urban T. Peters, PGHP of Maryland. The "D" was lukewarm, but cold enough to stir memories.

In this newsletter is the registration form for the Federal Area Encampment. Please fill this out and plan to attend. This will be the biggest Encampment we have had in a long time. Come out and enjoy the fellowship of Heroes from throughout this great land of ours. Also, our National Commander will be in attendance. If you haven't met Bro. Miller, this will be a good time. He is a wonderful Mason, and very pleasant to be with.

In addition, information about the James Monroe Birthday Celebration is in this issue. This is another opportunity to let the world know that we are Heroes, and we support our community. Let our Chief of Staff, Bro. Harry Sanders, know if you will be attending this great event.

Keep having fun this year!

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Mark F. Arbeen, PM
Camp Commander
Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter, Heroes of 76

Your Help Needed to Support The Collingwood Work Day

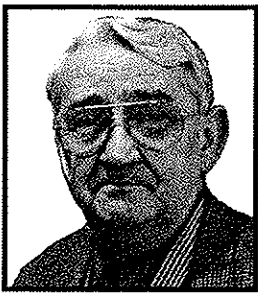
The Foundation for Collingwood Library and Museum on Americanism (CLMA) is one of the "crown jewels" of our order. In addition to its mission of providing a home for National Sojourners, it also preserves the memory of a defining period in our nation's history --- the struggle of a fledging nation for freedom and independence. Collingwood is also the home of the Light Horse Harry Lee Heroes of '76 Camp bivouacs. Maintenance and upkeep of CLMA requires our support in three important ways: (1) generous giving to the annual fund drive; (2) contributing to the capital campaign for development of the American Legacy Center (a unique conference center planned for CLMA); and (3) investment of sweat equity through semi-annual workdays. **The Spring Workday will be held at Collingwood on Saturday, April 16th, 0800 to 1400 hrs.** Please wear your work clothes and join your Old Dominion brothers in the quarries of Collingwood as we tackle various chores together, share in fellowship and enjoy a wonderful lunch. Every Sojourner is requested to support this workday so that many hands will make for light work --- see you there! If you will be able to help, please call or e-mail CLMA and ask that your name be put on the Spring Workday list: *Phone: 703-765-1652 or e-mail curator@collingwoodlibrary.com.*

President James Monroe Day Birthday Celebration



All Heroes, Camp Followers, Sojourners and their families are invited to join in a public recognition of the birthday of Brother James Monroe (5th President of the United States) at his birthplace in near Colonial Beach, VA on Saturday, April 30th. The Heroes of '76 and Camp Followers have been asked to serve in their colonial regalia by providing the color guard, serving as the escorts for dignitaries and by displaying the historic flags. Note that distinguished guests will include our Grand Master and Brother Hero, MW John R. Quinley; and

local Congresswoman, Joanne Davis. Press coverage is anticipated. The wreath laying ceremony will be followed by a free bar-b-que at Colonial Beach Lodge No. 199. There are many positions to fill and all Heroes and Camp Followers are urged to support this event if possible. The muster time is 1000 hours at Colonial Beach Lodge (the lodge will be open to change clothes as needed). Participants will be bused from the lodge to the birthplace/ceremony site (~2 miles). See the National Sojourners website for full details (www.nationalsojourners.org) or contact Bro. Harry Sanders (Home: 703-978-0421; Work: 703-968-5200 or e-mail: harry.sanders@2asc.com). Finally and most important, please let Bro. Harry know as soon as possible but not later than 29 April, if you can attend so he can pencil you in as part of the ceremony support team!



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National Sojourners**

Minutes of the Meeting, March 16, 2005

At 1845 hours, Pres. Pawlisch sounded the dinner gavel for O.D. No. 364 at Gadsby's Tavern with 42 members and guests present. Everyone enjoyed a traditional St. Patrick's Day meal of corn beef and cabbage. The business meeting began at 1955 hrs. Marshal Akin presented the Colors, Pres. Pawlisch led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Chaplain Bro. Lisle recited the Opening Prayer. Bro. Cameron presented the Toast to the Flag, and 1st VP Gigure read the Purpose of the Sojourner's. Pres. Pawlisch then introduced VIP's and guests. It is noted that Past President Bro. Bill Williamson has been added to the VIP listing, an

oversight certainly deserving of an apology to Bro. Bill. A *Point of Order* was called on some members for not wearing their nametag and/or badge of office and fines were levied as per the By-laws. Any members in need of a nametag see the Secretary.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved thanks to Bro. Johnny Mayer. The Secretary then cleared his desk. Forms for the 85th National Sojourner's Annual Convention, June 21-25, 2005 are in, see the Sec. Motion was made and carried to remit Bro. John Hartline's dues for the current year. There were two new MIP's, Bros. Tim Butcher and Jerry Pate; and one new application for MIP, Juan Arcocha, who will be initiated in April. A letter from Bethel No. 22, IOJD, was read inviting us to attend a Charity Ball on Saturday, April 2 at 7:00 PM. All proceeds go to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. A letter was sent to MW Bro. John Randall Quinley on Jan. 28, 2005 thanking him for his presentation at the Masters and Wardens night Jan. 19, 2005. Bro. Ray Bunnell's new address is 904 Northlake Drive, Anderson, SC 29625-5317, Ph. 864-225-8453.

Committee reports: Americanism; Bro. Lisle reported a number of Heroes went to the National Anthem Project at the Capitol in Washington, DC. They also performed a BOL Flag Folding for the Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix, D.C. Scottish Rite. Bros. Sanner, Cole, and Gigure performed a Building of the Flag for a Cub Scout Pack sponsored by the Hay Market Masonic Lodge resulting in a \$1000.00 donation by the Lodge Charitable Foundation to be used for the Freedom Foundation.

Membership: Bro. Sanner reported he has received approximately 29 returns with email addresses from the newsletter survey concerning the electronic newsletter. Bro. Bill Turner moved that we accept the application for MIP membership from Juan Arcocha, and postpone initiation until April. It was so moved.

Sick and Distressed: Lady Patti Turner reported she sent a card to Lady Carol Harmon on the death of her husband Bro. Tom Harmon on Jan. 22, 2005. Lady Patti also reported that Lady Dorlien Bateman notified her that Bro. Bob experienced another stroke.

Old and New Business: Pres. Pawlisch announced he will be attending the installation of the first English speaking Lodge in Bangkok and will give a report on that experience upon his return. He also reported a good turnout for the wreath laying ceremony at Mt. Vernon and the service at Pohick Church afterward. He moved that we send \$100.00 to the Pohick Church, which passed unanimously. The President then called upon Bro. Phil Tilson, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, to give a report on nominations. Bro. Phil reported the following nominations:

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| President | Bro. Terry Gigure | Secretary | Bro. Ron Dooley |
| 1st VP | Bro. Bill Sanner | Asst. Sec. | Bro. Steve Brundage |
| 2nd VP | Bro. Mark Arbeen | Treasurer | Bro. Bill Turner |
| 3rd VP | Bro. Dan Clark | Asst. Treas. | Bro. Phil Tilson |
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| LHHL Camp Commander | Bro. Harry Sanders |
| Chief of Staff | Bro. Dan Levin |
| Asst. Chief of Staff | Bro. Woody Bentley |
| Officer of the Day | Bro. Howard Sobel |
| Commander of the Guard | Bro. Tim Butcher |

Pres. Hans Pawlisch accepted nomination for a 3-year term as Trustee.

Program: Bro. Lisle asked that Mr. Tim Minor be allowed to make a presentation for the ROA-US Freedomwalk Festival. Mr. Minor presented an award to the Chapter/Heroes for their participation (Bros. Lisle and his wife and son, Bill Turner, and Peter Nelson) in the October 2004 Freedomwalk and then gave a synopsis of the program. 1st VP Gigure then introduced Dr. Mike Carter who spoke on the life and career of Secretary of War Henry Knox, 1750-1806. There were several questions.

Announcements: Bro. Sanders announced we need four students identified for the Freedom Foundation 2005 Spirit of America Youth Program in Valley Forge. He noted there were handouts on each table...please contact Bro. Sanders ASAP. In addition, the James Monroe Day Celebration in Colonial Beach is to be held April 30, 2005 at 1100 hours. Heroes in uniform are requested and should contact Bro. Sanders for further info. Cmdr. Mark Arbeen, LHHL Camp, announced March 30, 2005 we have a bivouac at Collingwood (pizza night), social begins at 1830 hrs. April 2, 2005 is Collingwood Work Day and May 14 is the Federal Area Encampment at Collingwood.

There being no further business the gavel was passed...Bro. Dan Clark stated that after 23 years as a member of the Chapter he was looking forward to giving something back as an officer and thanked everyone for the opportunity. Pres. Pawlisch called for the Closing Prayer and Retreat of the Colors; the Chapter was closed at 2130 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ron Dooley,
Secretary/Adjutant